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PETITION FOR A TWO-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents

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In accordance with the provision of 37 CFR § 1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a two-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the Office Action mailed June 18, 2004, said period of response being extended from September 18, 2004 to November 18, 2004.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0743 in the amount of \$430.00 to cover the required extension fee. Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to deposit Account No. 19-0743.

Respectfully Submitted

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